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August 11, 2022

Tia Groves  
 Task Order Contracting Officer Representative (TOCOR)  
 U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
 William Jefferson Clinton Building  
 Washington, DC 20460

Re: July 2022 Progress Report, Strategic Positioning of EPA’s Research and Development Enterprise to Inform Future Environmental Protection: The Road Ahead, Contract #68HERC19D0011, Task Order #68HERC20F0314

Dear Ms. Groves:

In July, the committee carrying out the above-mentioned project worked to further develop its draft report. Project staff supported the committee’s efforts by assisting with report writing, gathering references, and incorporating committee revisions to the draft. In addition, Academies staff continued a discussion with EPA personnel concerning an Academies committee evaluation of EPA’s use of the Title 42 Hiring Authority. Because the subject matter of a Title 42 evaluation is within the scope of the committee, the performance work statement would be amended to incorporate a new subtask. The period of performance of the current task order would be extended from November 30, 2022 to March 31, 2023 to allow additional time needed for completing the work of the original task order and carrying out a portion of the work related to the Title 42 evaluation. A separate new task order would be anticipated for the completion of a Title 42 supplemental consensus report.

Activities next month are to include a committee meeting held on August 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> to discuss the committee’s draft report. Also, plans for modifying the performance work statement for this task order will be finalized.

Financial information for July 2022

Cost Category	Expenditures (\$)
Labor Cost	
ODCs	
Overhead	
G&A	
<b>Total</b>	<b>20,460.21</b>

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The total expenditures since inception are \$762,478.88. Attached are (1) a table of monthly labor costs, cumulative labor costs, total monthly expenditures, cumulative total expenditures, and the percentage of the total potential award spent, and (2) figures showing a comparison of total funds spent and labor costs, cumulative funds spent by activity (excluding labor), and cumulative hours worked by staff.

Sincerely,



Raymond Wassel  
Responsible Staff Officer

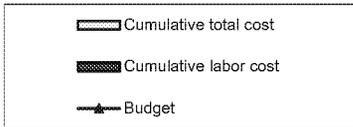
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EPA ORD Anticipatory Research  
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Total Dollars Spent (Thousand)

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1245.29

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Comparison of Total Funds Spent and Labor Cost



Dollars (thousands)

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Cumulative Funds Spent by Task (Excluding Labor)

Dollars spent

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⌘ Funds Spent this Period   ⌘ Total funds spent to date

Task

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Cumulative Hours Worked by Staff

■ Hours worked this month

□ Hours worked to date

Hours

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